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USING THE SAME)	

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1. U.S. Patent No. 6,902,641B1, inventors Patel et al., issued June 7, 2005;
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,537,651B2, inventors Geurtsen et al., issued March 25, 2003;
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,042,676, inventor Stein, issued March 28, 2000;
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,968,689 inventors Torikoshi et al., issued October 19, 1999;
5. U.S. Patent No. 4,321,185, inventor Benitez, issued March 23, 1982.

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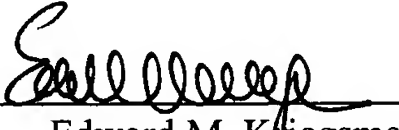
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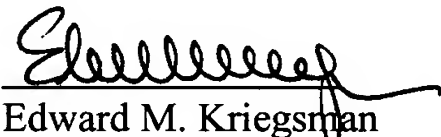
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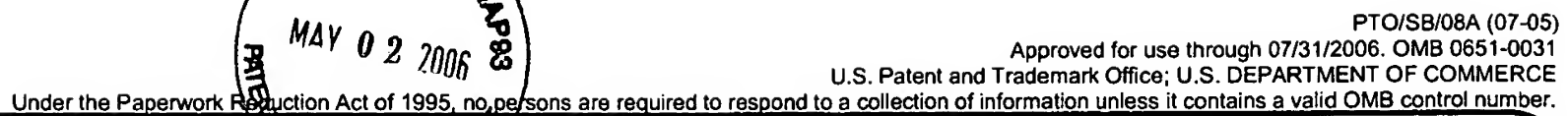
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